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George Bush

The former director of the CIA tosses some political barbs.

George Bush, a Republican presidential hopeful, assailed President Carter and Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, saying that the nation's poor should vote Republican because they have been lied to by the Democrats. Bush also said that the presence of former CIA employees in his campaign was an asset, not a drawback. He criticized Carter as lacking leadership and charisma, and questioned the credentials of Kennedy, saying that the Massachusetts senator was heir to a failed policy of big spending and big government. "No one is going to be able to ride a wave of nostalgia old politics to the White House," Bush said in a speech before the Washington Press Club.